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Applicant(s): Stephen D. MacArthur
Application No.: 09/539,966
Filed: March 31, 2000
Entitled: DATA STORAGE SYSTEM HAVING
SEPARATE DATA TRANSFER
SECTION AND MESSAGE NETWORK
WITH PLURAL DIRECTORS ON A
COMMON PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD
Docket No.: EMC2-044PUS (formerly
07072-101001)

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims:

A clean set of claims is presented below, a comparison of such claims with the previous

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